

REMARKS

The Office Action dated September 18, 2008, has been received and reviewed. This response is directed to that action.

Claims 2-8 and 10-15 have been amended, and claims 1, 9, 16 and 18-20 have been cancelled. Support for the claim amendments can be found throughout the specification and in claim 1 as originally filed. No new matter has been added.

Allowable Subject Matter

The applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claim 14 and 20, if rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations of the claims from which they depend. In order to advance prosecution of the present application, applicant has elected to pursue the claims with the indicated allowable subject matter. In doing so, applicant has amended claim 14 to include all the limitations of former claim 1, which claim 14 depended from. Dependent claims 2-8, 10-13 and 15 have also been amended to bring the claim into proper form and to depend from present claim 14. Claim 20 has been cancelled, because amending to bring that claim into compliance would have resulted in a claim identical to claim 14. The applicant looks forward to receiving a Notice of Allowance in due course. Furthermore, the applicant hereby reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of any cancelled claim in one or more continuation applications.

If any issues remain, the resolution of which can be advanced through a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact the applicant's attorney at the phone number listed below.

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicant respectfully requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account
No. 14-1263.

Respectfully submitted,

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